

form of a film (14), and joining the said pre-cut film (14) to the other layers (12) to make up a composite film (10).

13. The process according to Claim 12, wherein the film (14) is joined to the other layers (12) by means of an adhesive layer (16) to make up a composite film (10).

14. The process according to Claim 13, wherein the perforations (18, 18') are cut before coating the film (14) with adhesive (16).

15. The process according to Claim 13, wherein the perforations (18, 18') are cut after coating the film (14) with adhesive (16).

16. The process according to Claim 14, wherein two lines of perforations (18, 18') are cut essentially parallel to each other and a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film (10) on tearing open the packaging (20).

17. The process according to Claim 16, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch-type forms of packaging.

18. The process according to Claim 15, wherein two lines of perforations (18, 18') are cut essentially parallel to each other and a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film (10) on tearing open the packaging (20).

19. The process according to Claim 18, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch-type forms of packaging.

20. The process according to Claim 12, wherein the film (14) is joined to the other layers (12) by means of extrusion to make up a composite film (10).

21. The process according to Claim 20, wherein two lines of perforations (18, 18') are cut essentially parallel to each other and a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film (10) on tearing open the packaging (20).

22. The process according to Claim 21, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch-type forms of packaging.

23. The process according to Claim 12, wherein two lines of perforations (18, 18') are cut essentially parallel to each other and a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film (10) on tearing open the packaging (20).

24. The process according to Claim 23, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch-type forms of packaging.

25. The process according to Claim 13, wherein two lines of perforations (18, 18') are cut essentially parallel to each other and a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film (10) on tearing open the packaging (20).

26. The process according to Claim 25, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch-type forms of packaging.

27. The process according to Claim 12, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch-type forms of packaging.

28. Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film (10) manufactured using the process according to Claim 12.

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29. Packaging according to Claim 28, wherein the film (14) with the perforations (18, 18') is situated on the inner side of the packaging.

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30. Packaging according to Claim 29, wherein a notch (24) for initiating tearing is provided in the region of the perforations (18, 18').

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31. Packaging according to Claim 30, wherein the notch (24) is situated between the two lines of perforations (18, 18').

32. Packaging according to Claim 28, wherein a notch (24) for initiating tearing is provided in the region of the perforations (18, 18').

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33. Packaging according to Claim 32, wherein the notch (24) is situated between the two lines of perforations (18, 18').

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34. Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film (10) manufactured using the process according to Claim 13.

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35. Packaging according to Claim 34, wherein the film (14) with the perforations (18, 18') is situated on the inner side of the packaging.

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36. Packaging according to Claim 35, wherein a notch (24) for initiating tearing is provided in the region of the perforations (18, 18').

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37. Packaging according to Claim 36, wherein the notch (24) is situated between the two lines of perforations (18, 18').

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38. Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film (10) manufactured using the process according to Claim 17.

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39. Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film (10) manufactured using the process according to Claim 19.

40. Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film (10) manufactured using the process according to Claim 20.

41. Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film (10) manufactured using the process according to Claim 23.

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